

PUBLIC INQUIRY PROGRAMME – FINAL VERSION PUBLISHED 17.02.2023

Appeal Ref: APP/E1885/W/22/3310099

Appeal by: NRS Aggregates Ltd

Proposal: Proposed sand and gravel quarry with progressive restoration using site derived and imported inert material to agricultural parkland, public access and nature enhancement.

Appeal Site: Land at Lea Castle Farm, Wolverley Road, Broadwaters, Kidderminster, Worcestershire.

Venue: Hogarths Stone Manor, Stone, Kidderminster, Worcestershire DY10 4PJ

Abbreviations used in this programme

WCC – Worcestershire County Council

Rule 6 - Stop The Quarry Campaign

EiC – Examination in Chief

XE – Cross Examination

RE – Re-examination

RTS - Round Table Session

Day 1 – Tuesday 28 February 2023 10.00 hours

(Note - other than first day the opening times for each day are 09.30, all other timings are approximate)

Morning Session - Openings	Afternoon Session – Interested Parties
<p>10.00 - 10.45 Inspector Opening Announcements, Procedural Issues and Housekeeping Matters</p> <p>10.45 - 12.30 Opening Statements* (30 minutes maximum per party - Appellant followed by WCC then Rule 6)</p> <p>*Please provide copies in writing and an electronic copy to the case officer before 10.00.</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>13.30 – 17.00 Interested Parties who wish to speak at the Inquiry*</p> <p>Those persons listed below have already notified the Planning Inspectorate of a request to speak. The Inspector will ask if any other parties wish to speak as part of the opening announcements.</p> <p>Alex Rennie (on behalf of Mark Garnier MP) Bryn Thomas (Wolverley CE Secondary School) Vickie Crisp (Headteacher Cookley Sebright Primary School) Lawrence Collins (Headmaster Heathfield Knoll School) Cllr Marcus Hart (Wyre Forest DC) Cllr Lisa Jones (Wyre Forest DC) Joanna Phillips (Virtual) Rebecca Vale (Virtual) Cllr Simon Sherrey – (Wolverley & Cookley Parish Council) Jan Porter Katherine Evans (Hurcott Village (Management) Limited) Kirsty Chapman Dean Talbot Roger Perrin Bill Houle (on behalf of Mr & Mrs McDonald) Maxine Huselbee Karen Anderson Joe Harvey Dean Talbot Jo Collins Peter King (CPRE Worcestershire Branch) Bill Scriven Andrew Webber Julie Bradbury</p>

***Note:** Owing to the number of interested parties who wish to speak at the Inquiry, and the likelihood for the need for cross examination of some of the technical representations, it unlikely be possible to accommodate all of the above persons on the afternoon of 28 February 2023. The Inspector will invite representations sequentially in the order shown. However, around 17.00 hours on the opening day, an assessment will be made of any persons who may need to speak at the additional allocated slot in the afternoon of Tuesday 7 March 2023.

Day 2 – Wednesday 1 March 2023 09.30 hours

Morning Session – Noise	Afternoon Session – Dust and Air Quality
<p>09.30 – 10.00 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (EiC)</p> <p>10.00 – 10.15 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>10.15 – 10.30 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>10.30 – 11.15 Rachel Canham (Appellant) (EiC)</p> <p>11.15 – 12.00 Rachel Canham (Appellant) (XE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>12.00 – 12.30 Rachel Canham (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>13.15 – 13.45 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (EiC)</p> <p>13.45 – 14.00 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>14.00 – 14.15 Adrian Carlos (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>14.15 – 14.45 David Langton (Rule 6) (EiC)</p> <p>14.45 – 15.00 David Langton (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>15.00 – 15.15 David Langton (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>15.15 – 16.00 Katrina Hawkins (Appellant) (EiC)</p> <p>16.00 – 16.45 Katrina Hawkins (Appellant) (XE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>16.45 – 17.15 Katrina Hawkins (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>

Day 3 – Thursday 2 March 2023 09.30 hours

Morning Session – Restoration/Landscape/Green Belt	Afternoon Session – Highways
09.30 – 10.00 Matt Harthill (Rule 6 - Restoration) (EiC)	13.30 – 14.00 Bill Houle (Rule 6 – Highways & Transport) (EiC)
10.00 – 10.30 Matt Harthill (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)	14.00 – 14.15 Bill Houle (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)
10.30 – 10.45 Matt Harthill (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)	14.15 - 14.30 Bill Houle (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)
10.45 – 11.30 Neil Furber (Appellant) (EiC)	14.30 – 15.00 Jeremy Hurlstone (Appellant) (EiC)
11.30 – 12.15 Neil Furber (Appellant) (XE Rule 6 Advocate)	15.00 – 16.00 Jeremy Hurlstone (Appellant) (XE Rule 6 Advocate)
12.15 – 12.45 Neil Furber (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)	16.00 – 16.15 Jeremy Hurlstone (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)
Break at an appropriate time in proceedings	Break at an appropriate time in proceedings

Day 4 – Friday 3 March 2023 09.30 hours

Morning Session – Need/Green Belt/Planning	Afternoon Session - Need/Green Belt/Amenity/Planning
<p>09.30 – 10.45 Chris Whitehouse (WCC) (EiC)</p> <p>10.45 – 12.15 Chris Whitehouse (WCC) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>12.15 – 13.15 Chris Whitehouse (WCC) (RE Council Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>14.00 – 14.45 Tim Partridge (Rule 6 – Planning) (EiC)</p> <p>14.45 – 15.45 Tim Partridge (Rule 6) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>15.45 – 16.00 Tim Partridge (Rule 6) (RE Rule 6 Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>

Day 5 – Monday 6 March 2023 13.30 hours

Morning Session	Afternoon Session – Site Visit
<p>No Sitting</p>	<p>13.30 – 16.30 Site Visit</p>

Day 6 – Tuesday 7 March 2023 09.30 hours

Morning Session – Need/Green Belt/Amenity/ Planning	Afternoon Session – Need/Green Belt/Amenity/ Planning
<p>09.30 – 11.15 Liam Toland (Appellant) (EiC)</p> <p>11.15 – 13.45 Liam Toland (Appellant) (XE Council Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>14.30 -15.00 Liam Toland (Appellant) (XE Rule 6 Party Advocate)</p> <p>15.00 – 16.00 Liam Toland (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>16.00 Interested Parties who wish to speak at the Inquiry and were unable to do so on the opening day. Note that this session is for those who wish to speak in person only at the Inquiry venue as virtual participation on this day will not be facilitated.</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>

Day 7 – Wednesday 8 March 2023 09.30 hours

Morning Session- Conditions	Afternoon Session*- Closings
<p>09.30 – 12.00 RTS Conditions</p> <p>(Appellant, WCC, Rule 6, Interested Parties)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>13.00 – 14.00 Closing by WCC</p> <p>14.00 – 15.00 Closing by Rule 6</p> <p>15.00 – 16.00 Closing by Appellant</p> <p>1 hour approx. maximum per party</p> <p>16.00 – 16.30 Cost applications and close?</p>

*** Note – Closing Statements to be emailed to the case officer before 12.00 hours on Wednesday 8 March 2023**